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Docket No. 460-001 Continuation IV

Patent

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application

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Serial No. 09/716,890

Group Art Unit: 1651

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For: COMPOSITIONS OF OAK BARK  
EXTRACT RELATED SYNTHETIC  
COMPOSITIONS AND METHOD OF  
USING SAME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT  
PURSUANT TO 35 U.S.C. § 121**

Dear Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action dated March 26, 2002

/directed to the above-styled continuation patent application, Serial No. 09/716,890. A

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request for a four-month extension of time is being requested concurrently herewith.

In response to the Election/Restriction requirement, Applicants hereby elect claim 28 (Group VII) drawn to a method for enhancing wound healing with an aqueous extract of oak bark without traverse. Accordingly, please cancel the claims to the non-elected groups, namely claims 1- 27 without prejudice as being drawn to a non-elected invention. Applicants specifically preserve the right to pursue the non-elected claims in a related divisional application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to debit deposit account number 11-0978 in the amount of \$720.00 which is the small entity fee for the four-month extension of time. This amount is believed to be correct, however, the Commissioner is also authorized to charge any additional fees which may be due and to credit any overpayment deemed appropriate.